

Child, Family, and School Social Workers (21-1021)

Occupation description: Provide social services and assistance to improve the social and psychological functioning of children and their families and to maximize the family well-being and the academic functioning of children. May assist parents, arrange adoptions, and find foster homes for abandoned or abused children. In schools, they address such problems as teenage pregnancy, misbehavior, and truancy. May also advise teachers.

Employment and Job Openings

	Average employment			Average annual openings		
	2010 estimate	2020 projection	Percent change	Growth	Replacement	Total
Alaska	685	798	16.5	11	17	28
United States	295,700	353,900	19.7	5,820	7,010	12,830

Job outlook

Alaska: Alaska's employment growth is strong with high employment opportunities. [Read more.](#)

2013 Wages ?

	Mean Wage and 95% Confidence Interval			Wage by Percentile		
	Low	Mean	High	10th	Median	90th
United States	n/a	22.14	n/a	13.18	20.25	34.78
Alaska	20.95	22.17	23.39	13.01	21.49	32.98
Anchorage/Mat-Su Area (MSA)	16.62	20.93	25.24	12.68	20.51	30.78
Fairbanks North Star Borough (MSA)	20.37	24.38	28.39	15.44	25.52	34.74
Southeast Region	20.29	23.10	25.91	14.08	21.54	34.15
Balance of State	19.07	23.89	28.71	13.46	22.23	37.17

Labor Force Indicators

2012 Worker Characteristics

Total workers	Nonresident workers	Percent nonresident	Percent age 45 plus	Percent age 50 plus
1,017	90	8.8	34.2	25.4

2012 Potential Supply

Qualified but working in another occupation	259
Currently employed in a lower paid occupation	117
UI claimants previously working in occupation	136

2012 ALEXsys Employment Data

Number of registrants	1,132
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Number of job position postings	293
Ratio of registrants to job position postings	3.9

2011 Alaska Licensing Information

Social Worker, Clinical: 690 licensed

Typical Entry-level Education, Experience, and/or On-the-job Training

Education: Bachelor's degree

Work experience: None

On-the-job training: None

Training Resources

	Degree
Alaska Pacific University	
Human Services	AA
Human Services	BA

	Degree
University of Alaska Anchorage	
Children's Mental Health	GCRT
Clinical Social Work Practice	GCRT
Social Work	BSW
Social Work	MSW
Social Work Management	GCRT

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks	
Social Work	BA

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Bristol Bay	
Social Work	BA

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Chukchi	
Social Work	BA

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Kuskokwim	
Social Work	BA

	Degree
University of Alaska Fairbanks, Northwest	
Social Work	BA

	Degree
Wayland Baptist University	
Counseling (MA)	MA

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